Theatre Frangais with me last night. I ran right into Bernadotte as we were coming out, and upon my word, not knowing what on earth to say to him on the spur of the moment, I asked him if he would join our party to-day. He replied that he would, and as we were then in front of his house in the rue Cisalpine, I plain asked him for a cup of coffee and said I should be delighted to have some talk with him. He made himself quite pleasant to me. What do you think of it, Bourrienne ? No, no, I was right, you may be sure; it will compromise him with (the Directeur) Gohier. Remember one thing: always take the first step towards your enemies and put on a good countenance, otherwise they think you are afraid and are encouraged.

6th. (Brumaire 15.)

To subvert a representative form of government is a criminal proposal in this century of enlightenment and liberty. (Vive Bonaparte! Peace! Peace!) I raise my glass to the union of all Frenchmen!

7th. (Brumaire 16.)

Well, general, what is your opinion as to the state of the Republic ?

(Jourdan: Unless some more stable order can be evolved we shall have to despair of saving the country.)

We need a stronger government. Don't be uneasy; all will be done in the interests of the Republic.